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During Winter 53-54.

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1. [REDACTED] Taishan district in Kwangtung [REDACTED] confirmed previous rumors that the Reds have destroyed all highways and passable motor roads near the coast. This action is considered one of the Red tactics in preparation against possible counterattack by the Nationalists in the future. In lower Taishan near the coast, there used to be a criss-cross of highways connecting all country towns and big villages with many bus lines operating on schedule. [REDACTED] there is now practically no bus to be seen in this district.

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